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## **UTAH BUSINESSES SHOULD BEWARE OF THOSE SELLING REQUIRED WORKPLACE POSTERS UNDER THREAT OF PENALTIES**

*Salt Lake City* - The [Utah Labor Commission](#) is warning employers in the state to avoid falling victim to individuals and organizations that claim to sell posters from the federal [Occupational Safety and Health Administration](#) to be posted in their businesses to comply with OSHA regulations.

These solicitors contact Utah businesses by phone, letter, or personal visit and claim to be an OSHA compliance officer. They threaten employers with inspections, citations, and fines if they don't immediately pay for health and safety training, consultation services, and the "Consolidated State and Federal" [posters](#) to become "compliant."

Such posters are required to be placed in a visible location at a business, but they are available for free from the Utah Labor Commission.

"We encourage employers to research and ask questions about the companies or individuals offering to sell OSHA posters," said Jacson Maughan, Utah Labor Commissioner. "They should also know that we provide the posters at no charge."

Compliance officers from the Utah Labor Commission who enforce OSHA regulations present identification during visits to employers and never ask for or are involved in collecting money even if a citation and penalty are issued to an employer following an inspection.

Businesses that receive suspicious or threatening letters, visits, calls, or other contacts from someone claiming to sell the required workplace posters should contact the Utah Department of Commerce, [Division of Consumer Protection](#), at 801-530-6602, toll-free 1-800-721-SAFE (7233).

Required posters can be downloaded at [laborcommission.utah.gov](http://laborcommission.utah.gov) or obtained by calling 801-530-6800.